



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, September 14, 2020, 5:00 PM

City Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Present: Mayor Suzanne Hawkins, Vice Mayor Ruth Pierce, Council Member Shawn Barigar, Craig Hawkins, Greg Lanting, Christopher Reid & Nikki Boyd (byPhone).

Absent:

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble, City Attorney Shayne Nope, CFO Breanna Howard, Chief of Police Craig Kingsbury, Police Captain Matt Hicks, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, Planning & Zoning Director Jonathan Spendlove, City Engineer Mark Holtzen, Public Works Director Jon Caton, Parks & Recreation Director Wendy Davis, Help Desk Technician Kim Hafer Finance Administrative Assistant Amy Luna.

Mayor Hawkins called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. A quorum was present.

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hawkins invited all present, who wished, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3) PROCLAMATIONS

a) Constitution Week - Melinda Anderson, Daughters of the American Revolution

Mayor Hawkins read the "Constitution Week" Proclamation and presented it to Melinda Anderson, Daughters of the American Revolution.

4) CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Council Member Lanting** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

- a) Request to approve the Accounts Payable for August 27 thru September 10, 2020.
- b) Request to approve August 31, 2020, City Council Minutes.
- c) Request to approve the Wells Fargo Credit Commercial Card for July 2020.
- d) Request to accept the quitclaim of Tract A and Tract B for required park dedications in the Grandview Estates Subdivision.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

a) Presentation by Joshua W. Kern M.D., Vice President of Medical Affairs, St. Luke's Health System.

Mayor Hawkins introduced Dr. Kern, Vice President of Medical Affairs, St. Luke's Health System.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: Asked about the symptoms taking a long time to get over being called a "long hauler".

Mayor Hawkins thanked Dr. Kern for his information.

- b) Request to confirm the Mayor's appointment of four new members to the Impact Fee Advisory Committee.

Mayor Hawkins requested to confirm the appointment of four new members to the Impact Fee Advisory Committee.

Deputy City Manager Humble explained the system used for these appointments and introduced the appointees.

Appointees: Tom Frank-Kevin Grey-Tato Munoz-Josh Wallin

Discussion ensued on the following:

Mayor Hawkins: Stated that Josh Wallin is her son.

Council Member Barigar: Spoke in favor of the appointees and would like to look at the future appointees.

Council Member Reid: Thanked the appointees for their service.

MOTION: **Council Member Reid** moved to approve the appointment of four new members to the Impact Fee Advisory Committee. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

- c) Request to approve the purchase of a replacement motorcycle to replace one damaged last month.

Captain Hicks requested to purchase a replacement motorcycle to replace one damaged last month in the amount of \$19,700.00.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Mayor Hawkins: Asked about the insurance for the wrecked motorcycle.

Council Member Hawkins: Spoke about replacing the Honda with a Harley and the price that it will be obtained for.

MOTION: **Vice Mayor Pierce** moved to approve the purchase of a replacement motorcycle in the amount of \$19,700 and amend the budget to reallocate capital funds. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

- d) Request to accept the Blue Lakes Country Club (BLCC) Agreement.

City Manager Rothweiler made a request to accept the Blue Lakes Country Club Agreement.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: Commented on the water pumping rights. Will this agreement need to change in the future?

Mayor Hawkins: Thanked the group for their work on this agreement.

MOTION: **Council Member Barigar** moved to approve the Blue Lakes Country Club Agreement as presented, authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement and authorize the payment of the agreed reimbursement funds. **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

- e) Confirmation by the City Council to remain in Governor Little's proposal to use CARES funding for property tax relief.

City Manager Rothweiler requested confirmation to remain in Governor Little's proposal to use CARES funding for property tax relief.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: \$1.02M that would have gone to the URA, how is that not a \$1.02M windfall to the City?

Council Member Barigar: Spoke about the tax relationship involved in the CARES funds. URA receives its funds from various entities, so should the County opt out then the URA would still get their portion of the property tax allocation.

Council Member Lanting: Has the County of Twin Falls made their decision?

Vice Mayor Pierce: Thanked City Manager Rothweiler for the updated numbers and asked if the numbers could change at the end of the year.

Mayor Hawkins: Spoke about the City's values

Council Member Hawkins: Asked about the County not wanting to go forward with this program. Spoke about the information that has come in in the last week.

Council Member Lanting: Spoke about another entity that has opted out.

Vice Mayor Pierce: Did some entities opt out because they do not have any public safety expenses?

Mayor Hawkins: Spoke about the different entities that she has talked with and their opinions. Spoke in favor of the CARES funding.

Council Member Barigar: Spoke in favor of the CARES funding.

Council Member Lanting: Spoke in favor of the CARES funding.

Council Member Hawkins: Spoke in favor of the CARES funding.

Vice Mayor Pierce: Spoke in favor of the CARES funding.

Council Member Reid: Spoke in favor of the CARES funding.

Council Member Boyd: Spoke in favor of the CARES funding.

MOTION: Council Member Barigar moved to remain in Governor Little's proposal to use CARES funding for property tax relief, to not take the administration fee, and not share the funds with the Urban Renewal Agency. Vice Mayor Pierce seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

6) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

7) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Barigar announced that Monday, September 21, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., in the overflow room, there will be an informational meeting on the Community Transformation Grant.

Mayor Hawkins spoke about the B25 Bomber and the ceremony honoring the Veterans at the Airport on September 9, 2020. Announced that Dan Olmstead and Jim O'Donnell received the Wright Bother's Aviation Award on Saturday, September 12, 2020. This award was given in recognition of over 50 years in aviation. On Tuesday, September 22, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. at the City Park the City will hold a State of the City Address.

City Manager Rothweiler thanked the Police and Fire Departments for helping with the tribute to 9-11 that was held on September 11, 2020.

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

9) ADJOURNMENT

a) REQUEST TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

§ 74-206(1)(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.

Canceled Executive Session:

The meeting adjourned at 06:36 PM

